

# UTICA WATER AND POWER AUTHORITY

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Minutes of the

January 28, 2020

Regular Board Meeting

The Board of Directors of the Utica Water & Power Authority met in Regular Session at the UWPA office in Angels Camp, California.

Directors present:

Joe Oliveira, COA

Chairman

Greg Rasmussen, UPUD

Vice Chairman

Ralph Chick, UPUD

Secretary

Amanda Folendorf, COA

Director

Scott Behiel, Community

Director

Also present:

Lori Karnes

Administrative Manager

Frank Fields

O & M Supervisor

Dave Andres

IMS, Consulting

Kyle Rasmussen

Water Conveyance Supervisor

Absent:

Tom Quincy

UPUD

## Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Chairman Oliveira

Item 1:

### Roll call

Director Oliveira, Director Chick, Director Behiel, Director Folendorf, and Director Oliveira.

Item 2:

### Opportunity for Public Comments:

Public support was made known to help with the loss of UWPA's general manager.

Item 4:

**Regular Agenda** --Director Rasmussen motioned to approve that Item 4 A be moved above item 3 consent calendar and staff reports; seconded by director Folendorf and adopted 4-0. Ayes: Oliveira, Rasmussen, Behiel, Folendorf; Noes: none; Absent:1.

### A. Certificates of Appointment and Oaths of Office

1. Larry Thompson, Alternate At Large Community Member

- 2. Ralph Chick, U.P.U.D., fills seat vacated by Tom Quincy**  
- Both oaths were done together lead by Director Rasmussen.

**Item 3:**

**Consent Calendar and Staff Reports - Approval of all items**

**A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting dated 12/16/19**

Item 3 A was moved by Director Rasmussen to add in Director Behiel's attendance in the minutes; seconded by Director Folendorf and adopted 5-0. Ayes: Oliveira, Rasmussen, Chick, Behiel, Folendorf; Noes: none; Absent: 0.

**B. Financials 11/1/19 - 11/30/19 - L. Karnes**

**Financials 12/1/19 - 12/31/19 - L. Karnes**

-L. Karnes reported November's total power revenue from July's imbalance which was collected three months in advance and is about half of October's revenue. This was due to being offline for most of the month for the fall maintenance outage. UWPA was able to secure a water sale to NCPA for \$50/AF equaling around \$88,400. ReMAT remains the same paying \$89 MWhr throughout the year. In November the price is around \$96 for that particular month. ReMat revenue was only \$12,630 for November due to being offline for most of the month. UWPA received their second quarter payment from the City and the \$35,000 contribution from the City. UWPA also received their first Resource Adequacy payment, which is a new agreement with Calpine, for \$10,550, and UWPA received NCPA's water payment for \$36,675 which is from the October sales. December's total "scheduled" power revenue and August's "imbalance" was \$7,000 more than November's total power revenue. December's day-ahead prices for Murphys averages to \$38 MWhr for scheduled power during the month, and August's imbalance prices averaged \$29 MWhr.

-F. Fields went on to explain the Resource Adequacy agreement with Calpine.

**C. General Manager's report – D. Andres**

-No report

**D. Administrative report – L. Karnes**

-L. Karnes explained the holding period with CalPERS to figure out the new rates and revenue. CalPERS would like to see an agreement in place with UPUD and the City guaranteeing a specific amount each agency will be contributing to UWPA over the next several years.

**E. Generation and O&M Report for November and December – F. Fields**

- F. Fields reported the outages and rain fall over the past few months. Discussing the different totals from the current years rain fall to the previous year's rain fall. Fields explained more about the PG&E scheduled outages, and about the 50-hour outage that happened toward the end of November due to heavy snow fall.

**F. Water Conveyance – K. Rasmussen**

K. Rasmussen reported that he has been maintaining the debris in the ditch, and that the new valve was put in at the Murphys After Bay.

**Item 4:**

**Regular Agenda - Discussion and possible action**

**A. Was moved to be discussed first on the items list.**

**B. Election of Officers**

Director Folendorf was nominated for Chairman motioned by Director Rasmussen; seconded by Director Chick and adopted 5-0. Ayes: Oliveira, Rasmussen, Chick, Behiel, Folendorf; Noes: none; Absent: 0.

Director Rasmussen was nominated for Vice-Chairman motioned by Director Oliveira; seconded by Director Behiel and adopted 5-0. Ayes: Oliveira, Rasmussen, Chick, Behiel, Folendorf; Noes: none; Absent: 0.

Director Chick was nominated for Secretary on the Board of Directors motioned by Director Rasmussen; seconded by Director Oliveira and adopted 5-0. Ayes: Oliveira, Rasmussen, Chick, Behiel, Folendorf; Noes: none; Absent: 0.

### **C. Appointments to Committees**

-Personnel and Legal will be Scott Behiel and Joe Oliveira; Resource Management will be Ralph Chick and Joe Oliveira; Budget will be Scott Behiel and Amanda Folendorf; FERC will be Joe Oliveira and Greg Rasmussen; ACWA/JPIA Representative is Greg Rasmussen; CPPA Representatives will be Joe Oliveira and Ralph Chick. Motion to approve the appointed committees by Director Behiel; seconded by Director Oliveira and adopted 5-0. Ayes: Oliveira, Rasmussen, Chick, Behiel, Folendorf; Noes: none; Absent: 0.

### **D. Acceptance of UWPA Independent Auditor's Report and Financial Statements 6/30/19 - R. Jolly, CPA (see attached)**

-D. Andres went over in detail about the different revenues and expenses in the Annual Audit Report. He states that while revenues improved, the JPA still had a negative operating revenue. He also explained the issues, and plans to address any future debt. Director Behiel moved to approve the auditor's report; seconded by Director Chick and adopted 5-0. Ayes: Oliveira, Rasmussen, Chick, Behiel, Folendorf; Noes: none; Absent: 0.

### **E. General Manager Recruitment**

-D. Andres gave a suggestion to follow up in different areas to try to recruit more qualified candidates for the general manager's position, and coordinate dates for interviews and discussion. A motion was moved to make a general manager recruitment committee with Director Behiel and Director Oliveira. Motioned by Director Chick; seconded by Rasmussen and adopted 5-0. Ayes: Oliveira, Rasmussen, Chick, Behiel, Folendorf; Noes: none; Absent: 0.

## **Item 5: Staff/Directors' Reports, Comments and Future Agenda Items (if any)**

### **A. 2019 Fall Outage - Power Point Presentation - F. Fields**

-F. Fields went over the recent projects that UWPA have done and have been working on the last few months. Also reviewing the prices and budget that would be going to some of these projects and explained what each project will need. Fields also told the Board some unexpected discoveries that will need maintenance.

## **Item 6: Calendar**

JPIA staff collaboration is still in motion every third Tuesday of every month. All JPA board meeting is on Feb. 25th. In March a budget committee meeting will need to be scheduled.

### **Board Reports:**

CPPA: Meeting was on Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, they extended the contract with free energy corporation for energy auditing consulting service. CPA rules and regulations are now up to date.

Two member agencies will have Board Directorial elections in 2020.

LAFCo didn't have anything that would affect UWPA's board, but they meet again March 16<sup>th</sup>

City of Angels: Reported that they are pursuing to request block grants in a category called "Over the Counter." Staff changes would be that Melissa has taken over Emily's position as finance director. Andrea is replacing Wendy as Utilities Director. Jessica is now at the front desk in replacement for Andrea, and the Police Department has a new replacement.

UPUD: Has elected new Board Directors.

### **Break at 7:05 pm**

## **Item 7: Adjourn to Closed Session: at 7:20pm Discussion and possible action**

### **A. CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957(b)(1): PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT APPOINTMENT**

Title: Interim General Manager

**B. CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.6:  
CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR**  
Agency designated representative: Interim General Manager  
Unrepresented employees: O & M Superintendent and Water Conveyance  
Superintendent

Reconvene from Closed Session: *Report of any reportable action*

**Item 7A:** Director Chick motioned to approve the Interim General Manager contract; second by Director Behiel and adopted 5-0. Ayes: Oliveira, Rasmussen, Chick, Behiel, Folendorf; Noes: none; Absent:0.

**Item 7B:** Director Behiel motioned to approve the salary increase until 30 days past GM full-time hire for the O&M Superintendent and Water Conveyance Supervisor \$1,000 each per month and Administrative Manager \$500 per month; second by Director Chick and adopted 5-0. Ayes: Oliveira, Rasmussen, Chick, Behiel, Folendorf; Noes: none; Absent: 0.

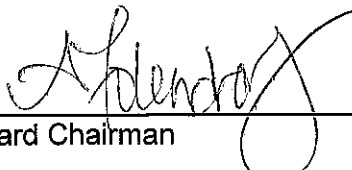
Out of closed session at 7:44pm


**Adjourn: at 8:46pm**

Director Rasmussen motioned to adjourn Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> monthly meeting at 8:46pm; seconded by Director Oliveira and adopted 5-0. Ayes: Oliveira, Rasmussen, Chick, Behiel, Folendorf; Noes: none; Absent: 0.

**Next Regular Meeting: Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 5:30 pm**

Approved at the Regular Board Meeting February 25, 2020

  
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Board Chairman

  
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Board Secretary